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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Broadband access is now the life of American small business. With both our business tasks and communication beholden to the internet we must keep access open and competitive.

By limiting our options you will damage the fabric of American small business, the economy and the jobs we provide.

Should you choose to accept the demands of the large communications providers you will be complicit in the fleecing of America and contributing to the move towards mediocrity and complacency in American government.

I ask that you think and act in a way that is in favor of broad competition, innovation and the betterment of society that comes from the disruption of entrenched incumbents who work only to preserve their position.

Your actions define you.

Best regards,

Rob LaVigne